Examination Adjustments

The UvA Student Counsellors review basic examination adjustments.

Adjustment (Voorziening)	**Description**
Eating and/or drinking during examinations (Eten en/of drinken tijdens tentamen)	The student is permitted to eat and/or drink during examinations.
Medication use (Gebruik medicatie)	The student is permitted to take medication during examinations.
Toilet breaks (Toiletbezoek)	The student is permitted to take one or more toilet breaks when needed, when feasible under the supervision of an invigilator.
Leaving the room (Zaal verlaten)	During the examination, the student is permitted to stretch their legs or take a break outside the examination room, exclusively under the supervision of an invigilator. The end time of the examination remains the same. At AUC, this adjustment implies that the student will be placed in an individual room.
Own keyboard/mouse (Eigen toetsenbord/muis)	The student is permitted to use their own keyboard/mouse for digital examinations, provided the device is compatible with the other hardware and software the UvA uses for digital assessments.
Magnifying glass (Loep of vergrootglas)	The student is permitted to use a magnifying glass, to be supplied by the student.
Non-electronic ear defenders (Niet-elektronische gehoorbescherming)	The student is permitted to use non-electronic ear defenders, as sold in DIY stores. NB: foam earplugs are allowed at all times and do not require and official request. To be supplied by the student.
Paper examination (Papieren toets)	Where feasible, the student is entitled to a paper version of a digital examination.
Adapted furniture (Speciaal muebulair)	The student is entitled to adapted furniture in accordance with the description in SIS. Possibilities vary per examination room, assessment of allocation by GA SLO or UvA examinations office.

Examination laptop (Examenlaptop)	The student takes the examination on a laptop provided by the faculty/degree programme. Depending on the module, this adjustment cannot be granted in a separate room if specific software is required. This is at the discretion of the GA SLO or UvA examinations office.
Larger font (Vergroot lettertype)	For paper examinations, the student is entitled to exam papers printed in Arial font in size 12, or if not possible, to an examination printed in A3 size. For digital examinations, all students can zoom in to enlarge the font.
Text-to-speech software (Voorleessoftware)	The student uses text-to-speech software. In the case of paper examinations, this adjustment is granted in addition to an examination laptop.
Examination in an individual room (Afname in individuele ruimte)	The student takes the examination in a separate room
Examination in a small Group (Afname in kleine groep)	Small-group examination setting
Choice of seat (Keuze zitplaats)	The student is entitled to a preferred seat in the examination room in accordance with the description in SIS
Additional examination time (Extra tijd) (Tentamentijd +15 of +30)	The examination time is extended by 15 or 30 minutes depending on the duration: - For examinations lasting up to two hours (<2 hours): 15 minutes of additional time - For examinations lasting two hours or more (≥ 2 hours): 30 minutes of additional time

Note regarding basic exam adjustment of additional examination time:

Up until the present moment, AUC's basic adjustment of additional examination time consisted of 25% extra time. In order to align with UvA's policy, this adjustment will be altered to the stated on the table above.

As AUC exams on average last 90 minutes, the transition to the UvA policy will result in around 8 minutes less extra time for students with this adjustment.

There are a number of currently enrolled students that hold the adjustment of 25% extra time for the entirety of their AUC career. In order to avoid logistical difficulties (examiners, for the next 2-3 years, would have to arrange for multiple different types of extra time adjustments) and unfairness towards students who have not requested an adjustment in their 1st or 2nd year due to, for example, not yet having a formal diagnosis, AUC will establish a transition period.

For the next two years (up until AY 2028-2029) all students temporarily fall under the AUC policy. After the end of these two years, the AUC policy will no longer be in place,

and all students will fall under the UvA policy. Students who already have an adjustment will continue to benefit from the AUC policy, whereas new adjustment requests will fall under the AUC policy for a limited period of 2 years.

Importantly, this change does not have any effect on students who have other types of extra time adjustments, such as 50% or 100% extra time. These adjustment falls under the category of individual adjustments.